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Official Directory of Pocahontas County

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 Sheriff, J. C. Arbogast.
 Deputy Sheriff, Geo. W. Callison.
 Clk Co. Court, S. L. Brown.
 Clk Cir. Court, J. H. Patterson.
 Assessor, C. O. Arbogast.
 Com'r Co. Ct. (C. E. Beard, S. B. Hannah, G. M. Kee).
 Co. Surveyor, Geo. Baxter

THE COURTS.

Circuit Court convenes on the first Tuesday in April, 3rd Tuesday in June and 3rd Tuesday in October.
 County Court convenes on the 1st Tuesday in January, March, October and second Tuesday in July July is levy term.

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Will practice in the Courts of Pocahontas and adjoining Counties, and in the Court of Appeals of the State of West Virginia.

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Will practice in the courts of Pocahontas and adjoining counties and in the Supreme court of Appeals.

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Will practice in the courts of Pocahontas and Webster counties.

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Prompt attention given to claims for collection in Pocahontas county.

D. R. O. J. CAMPBELL,
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Will visit Pocahontas County, at least, twice a year.

The exact date of his visits will appear in this paper.

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HISTORY OF POCAHONTAS.

Five Years History of Pocahontas County, as Recorded in the Order Book of the County Court.

The first County Court for Pocahontas was held on the 5th and 6th of March 1822 (69 years ago) by William Poage, James Tallman, Geo. Poage, Benjamin Tallman, John Baxter and George Burner, gentleman justices. Cyrus Cary and Johnson Reynolds qualified as attorneys to practice in the Court, and Mr. Reynolds was appointed attorney for the commonwealth. John Jordan qualified as sheriff and his son Jonathan as deputy. Josiah Beard was appointed Clerk, Robert Gay, commissioner of the Revenue, John Baxter, Colonel, Benjamin Tallman, Lieutenant Colonel and William Blair Major of the Militia; Boon Tallman, Captain of a company of cavalry, Andrew G. Mathews first and Benjamin Wallace second Lieutenant of said company. Wm. Arbogast, Henry Herold, Isaac Moore and Milburn Hughes were recommended to the Governor to be appointed Captains of the Militia; Robt. Warwick, Wm. Moore, Wm Young and James Bhea as Lieutenants; Jacob Slaven, James Wanless, Sam'l Young and Jas Callison as Ensigns and Abraham McNeil as Coroner. Jacob W. Mathews, Thos. Hill, Jno. Slaven, Jas. Callison, Sr., Wm. Edmiston, Jno. Gilliland, Wm. Cackley, Sam'l Cummings, Jno. Bradshaw, Patrick Bruffey, Jas. Waugh and Jas. Sharp were recommended to the Governor as justices of the peace, and their appointments as such desired.

At the May term (7th of May) a grand jury was sworn in and indictments were found against David H. Smith for assault and battery, and against Josiah Beard for obstructing public road. Jno. Burner and Geo. Mays qualified to practice law in the Court, and Sampson L. Mathews qualified as surveyor.

Richard Hill, Geo. Poage, Jno. Bradshaw, Jas Tallman and Jno. Slaven, appointed overseers of the poor. Abraham McNeil and Robt. Rhea recommended to the Governor to be appointed sheriff (the first named was always appointed) David H. Smith bound to keep the peace for one year, in the penalty of \$100. Henry Herold appointed constable, and a number of orders made appointing Com'rs to lay off and mark out public roads &c.

At the May term, F. W. Perkins was granted leave to keep an ordinary, Jno. Bradshaw private entertainment in Huntersville and Sam'l Cummings near the town.

The Court fixed the rates to be charged by the ordinary as follows:

For diet 25 cts., lodging 8 cts., grain per gallon 12 1/2 cts., horse 12 hours at hay 12 1/2 cts., whiskey per gill 6 1/2 cts., brandy 6 1/2 Jamaica spirits 12 1/2, French brandy 12 1/2 and rum 10 cents per gill. Oh! for the good times of long ago. Some of my old friends are singing while I write.

Thos. Hill, Sam'l M. Gay, Pat. Bruffey, Jas. Tallman and Jno. Gilliland were appointed school com'rs.

And it was ordered that the Clerk should keep his office at the house of John Bradshaw.

At the June term, Noah Legrand and Thos. B. Hamilton and Adam See were admitted to practice in the Court. Jos. Alderson to be qualified as deputy Clerk and an order for Johnson Reynolds to be summoned to the August Court to show cause why he should not be

removed from the office of attorney for the Commonwealth.

The county levy was laid allowing the attorney for the commonwealth \$50, clerk \$50 and Sheriff \$20 per year.

The whole levy for the year being \$950.47, \$655.50 of which was to be applied toward building court house, \$30 to John Nickles for removing and building temporary court house \$72 for 18 wolf scalps at \$4 each, and the sheriff ordered to collect from 437 tithables \$2.17 1/2 cts. each to pay the levies so made.

A deed admitted to record from John Bradshaw at the July Court 1822 to the county, conveying the land to the county upon which the Court house and jail were erected.

Ludivius Robins a Presbyterian Minister authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony, (as the good old coons of that day were determined to increase the Pocahontas multiplication table) and Thos. Bradshaw to keep private entertainment.

AT AUGUST COURT.

The only indictment found was against Josiah Beard, for obstructing the public road. Wm. Smith and Pere B. Wethered were permitted to qualify and practice as attorneys. Isaac Sanders bound over to keep the peace upon complaint of Josiah Beverage. Com'rs appointed to view and mark out the way for a road from Randolph line to Valley Mt., and another to mark out the way for road from the Randolph line to the head of Greenbrier settlement. David Smith fined \$7.50 for assault and battery by the verdict of a jury.

SEPTEMBER COURT 1822.

A number of orders made appointing surveyors of road. An order made declaring Josiah Beard incompetent to act as clerk of the court, and that the same be certified to the general court, that a rule may be taken and he removed from office, with the protest of Jas. Tallman, Wm. Poage, Geo. Poage and Ben. Tallman against the order so made, and Robt Gay appointed com'r of the Revenue for 1823.

OCTOBER TERM 1822.

All orders that were made in relation to roads. It seems that at that time every road dwindled into a squirrel path, ran up a tree and was lost.

NOVEMBER TERM, 1822.

John Hutchison permitted to practice law in the court.

Nicholas Simmons appointed Lieutenant in Captain Herold's company 127 Reg. 8 of Va., Peter Herald ensign in said Co., and Levi Moore and other Com'r appointed to enter into a contract with Peter McClair for building the court house.

Wm. Young appointed Captain of Militia. Thos. Cochran for Lieutenant and David Hanna ensign, Wm. Callison Lieutenant and Benj. Wallace ensign in another company.

MAY COURT, 1823.

John Jordan qualified as Sheriff, and license to Peter McClair to keep an ordinary, John Bradshaw and Francis W. Perkins to keep public entertainment.

JUNE COURT.

Sheriff returned delinquent list of taxes amounting to \$34.20.

County levy laid for \$1,453.12, \$1,114.83 of which was for public buildings, \$80 for 20 wolf scalps, \$35 to sheriff and only \$10 to clerk and same to Reynolds attorney for the Commonwealth. Levied on 478 tithables at \$3.04 each. Sam'l Hogsett appointed Coroner, and Wm

Poage recommended for the office of Sheriff. Fixed the amount to be paid for keeping property levied upon—horse for 24 hours 6 1/2 cents, cow 3 cts., sheep and hogs 1 cent each, gallons of grain 12 1/2 cents.

JULY TERM.

Geo. May appointed attorney for the Commonwealth in the place of John Reynolds and to pay him the \$10 heretofore paid Reynolds. Sam'l M. Gay appointed school com'r. Grand jury presented Francis W. Perkins.—Jas. Stratton indicted for assault and battery. Order increasing the size of the court house then building, from the 19 to 23 ft, and the jail from 15 to 19 feet.

SEPTEMBER TERM.

Wm. Cackley granted ordinary license and Lanty Lockridge private entertainment.—Robt Gay appointed com'r Revenue for 1824.

OCT. TERM.

Wm Hill indicted for assault and battery. Robert Corley recommended for Capt. of Militia. Delinquent list returned by sheriff amounting to \$17.67.

MARCH TERM, 1844.

Ludwell Richard permitted to qualify as a lawyer and practice in the court. A deed of emancipation from John McNeil of his negro man Robt. Trout. Jonathan Jordan qualified as deputy of W Poage Sheriff. James Cooper appointed constable and Moses McClintic and Geo. H. Fry not permitted to qualify as deputies of Poage, and Jas. Tallman, Geo. Poage, Ben Tallman, J. W. Mathews and Jacob Eightner entered their protest against the action of the court is refusing to permit them to qualify as deputies of Poage.

MAY COURT 1824.

W. H. Terrill permitted to qualify and practice in the court. Grand jury found four indictments. Order quashing warrant committing Nancy Hughes, Wm. Hughes and Geo. Hughes to jail, and then bound over to keep the peace for one year, and also warrant committing Sam'l McCoy quashed John Bradshaw licensed to keep an ordinary, and so was Wm. Cackley. Western Mills having treated a grand juror with contempt was imprisoned during the sitting of the court. Jas. Cochran, charged with felony acquitted.
 (Continued next week.)

HOW A COWARD FEELS.

It is a humiliating confession to make, but, physically speaking, I am an arrant coward! And yet, so far as formation of body goes, I ought not to fear to cope with any ordinary being of danger.

I am young, tall, have a chest measurement of about thirty-nine inches, and am, I believe, thoroughly muscular.

How I have tried to overcome this feeling of cowardice, but in vain! At the first sign of my being involved in danger I turn deadly pale, my heart beats wildly, and I am seized with such a fit of trembling that my legs almost give way beneath me. I am almost rendered nearly speechless for my voice quavers to such an extent that I can scarcely articulate words.

And my friends actually want me to join the army!

"No," said I to myself, with a sickly smile. "The pen is mightier than the sword, so I'll stick to the pen."

What a noble soldier I should have made! I am sure that, in the event of being "ordered to the front," I should have deserted at the first opportunity.—"A Coward" in Loudon Tit-Bits.

A SINGULAR SALE.

When Shylock bargained for a "pound of flesh," it was not recorded what he intended to do with it. But a sale of a very similar commodity recently took place for humanitarian reasons. A young widow, nurse in a hospital for children in San Francisco, recently sold forty five square inches of her skin for one hundred dollars. A strip of skin nine by five inches was cut from her body by surgeons and was grafted on to the leg of a railway mail clerk who was injured in an accident. His right leg was badly burned and would not heal, and as a last resort skin grafting was proposed. A fellow-clerk of the sufferer first offered to supply the skin, but when he learned how much was needed he backed out. The nurse, having three children and needing money, offered to furnish the necessary amount of skin. She submitted bravely to the operation, which was performed successfully, and was paid one hundred dollars for her sacrifice. Victor Hugo in Les Miserables appeals touchingly to our sympathies with the relation of poor Fantine who sold all her belongings, her beautiful hair, and finally her pearly teeth, which she had pulled, to support her unfortunate little one, but this heroine in real life, who sells her living skin for her children's sake, merits a respectful admiration as well as deep sympathy.

Merchant—I wish to transport some goods to Jinksville and—

Railroad Official (irascibly)—Well why in thunder don't you go to the freight department!

Merchant—It's a large quantity of goods, and I wish to inquire about rates.

Official—Go to the freight department, I say. Whatever the rates are you'll pay 'em or keep your goods at home. No reductions to you or any one else. Hear that! Clear out now.

Merchant—The Jinksville I mean is not in this state, but the Jinksville over the line. There is a rival road running there, you know and I can easily—

Official—Sit down, my dear sir, sit down and let's talk it over. James, bring the gentleman a cigar. Henry, bring the gentleman a glass of champagne. George, tell the president one of our most valued patrons is here.

THREE OF A KIND.

Horace Greely once refused an increase of salary upon the ground that he did not think his paper could not afford to pay it.

Mr. Bliss, president of the Boston and Albany Railroad, has just declined an increase of his salary from \$12,000 to \$20,000 with the singular explanation that "I do not believe my services are worth any more than I am now receiving."

Mr. Powderley succeeded lately, with difficulty, in persuading the Knights of Labor to reduce his salary from \$5,000 to \$3,500.

There are a great many peculiar men in this world.

Wayfarer—What are you doing with that long ladder, Rastus?

Rastus—Well, boss, dey done tell me ebr'ying gwine up sence dia Merkinlus bill done pass, an' ef dat's de case wid no'fry I jus' hatter have some insterment er dis sort ter per-long mer reach.

winkle—Miss Teaser is taking a course in wood-carving.

Nodd—what is her idea?

winkle—I understand that she intends opening a boarding-house.